Sri H. M. CHANABASAPPA(Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(a) No.

(b) This does not arise in view of reply to item (a).

NON-INCLUSION OF NAMES OF CHIEF OFFICERS AND MUNICIPALTIES IN M. A. S. LIST

404. Sri M. B. RAMASWAMY (Anekal).— Will the Minister for Municipal Administration be plased to state

(a) the number of Town Municipalties, Sanitary Boards, Town Boards, Corporations, City Municipalties and Notified Areas in the State.

(b) whether all of them have been taken to Municipal list.

(c) the number of notified Areas left out from the list and the reasons for not including in the list.

(d) whether it is a fact that several employees have been effected due to omissions of their names in the M. A. S. list

(e) whether it is a fact that the names of several employees have been removed from the list. if so, the names of the Chief officers, Municipalties left without including in the M. A. S. list ?

Sri B. BASAVALINGAPPA (Minister for Municipal Administration).—

(a)	(1)	Town Municipal Councils	210
	(2)	Sanitary Boards	2
	(3)	Town Boards	nil
	(4)	Corporations	2
	(5)	City Municipal Councils	14
	(6)	Notified Area Committees	6

(b) There is no such list

(c) Does not arise, in view of reply clause (b)

(d) No.

(e) All the Chief Officers who were working in the Municipalities on the appointed day, i. e. 1st September 1970. have been taken over under the Mysore Municipal Administrtive Service.

10-00 A. M.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

(i) Re: felling of forest in the Kodakani village of Soraba Taluk.

Sri KAGODU THIMMAPPA (Sagara).—I call the attention of the Minister for Agriculture and Forests to the fell ng of forest in Kodakani Village of Soraba Taluk.

Sri K. H. PATIL.— I wish to state as follows :—

There is an extent of 800 acres of minor forest at Kodkani in Sorab Taluk. The rainfall received in this zone is around 80". This particular minor forest has a semievergreen type of vegetation containing mostly softwoods and the stocking is also quite poor. This type of natural forest yields low financial return. The increment put on per acre which is available for exploitation is about 10 tonnes over a period of 30 years in the best of conditions. An extent of 500 acres from this minor forest was selected for raising Eucalyptus plantations by Mysore State Forest Corporation Ltd. Eucalyptus has comeup very well in the adjoining area. It puts on an increment of 20 to 30 tonnes in this zone over a period of 10 years. Hence, in consideration of the economic apvantages of raising the industrial pulp material, it was dicided to take up Eucalyptus planting in this area.

It is brought out in the Notice that the public have protested against the clear felling of this rich forest. There has been protest but this has been from the encroachers in the area on the plea that the area should be made available to them for cultivation. During December 1972 a Member of this Legislature represented to me that the felling opera-